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NEW CONSTITUTION
OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The following is a copy of the new Constitution of the Fire Department, as adopted by the Board of Delegates at their meeting, held on Tuesday evening, October 31st, 1854:

CONSTITUTION
OF THE
SAN FRANCISCO FIRE DEPARTMENT,
Adopted by the Board of Delegates, October, 31, 1854.

ARTICLE I.

This body shall be known as "The Board of Delegates of the Fire Department of the City of San Francisco.

ARTICLE II.—OFFICERS.

The Officers of the Board shall be a President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

ARTICLE III.—DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board, preserve order and decorum, and enforce a strict observance of the constitution, by-laws and rules of order; call special meetings when he may deem it necessary, or when requested in writing by five members; sign all orders on the Treasurer, and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the constitution, by-laws or resolutions of the Board.

ARTICLE IV.

The Secretary shall keep full, fair and accurate minutes of the meetings of the Board, and he shall keep a book of registry, containing the names of all the members of the Fire Department, under the head of the name and number of the company to which they may respectively belong, which book shall have six columns on each page; the "first" to contain the name of the member; the "second" his occupation; the "third" his residence; the "fourth" date of certificate; the "fifth" date of death, resignation, expulsion, or suspension; the "sixth" remarks. He shall also keep a book, properly indexed, in which he shall write out in full the standing resolutions and laws passed by the Board of Delegates, which book shall at all times be open to the inspection of the public. He shall fill up certificates of membership, and date them from the time payment is made upon the same; but the election of a member shall not date more than thirty days prior to the date of the issue of such certificate. He shall collect all fines, dues and assessments, and pay the same over to the Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor. Call all meetings regularly ordered, sign all warrants on the Treasurer, supply the Judges of Engineers' elections with a certified list of all the members of each company entitled to vote at such election, and he shall have the custody of the seal of the Department; and he shall perform such other duties as may be ordered by the constitution, by-laws or resolutions of the Board; and at the expiration of of his term of office, he shall deliver up all books, papers or other property in his possession, belonging to the Department, to his successor in office.

ARTICLE V.

The Treasurer shall receive and safely keep all monies belonging to the Board, and shall only pay out the same upon their order, duly attested by the President and Secretary, which shall be his vouchers, and his accounts and vouchers shall at all times be subject to the examination of a committee regularly appointed by the Board of Delegates for that purpose. He shall semi-annually, at the stated meetings in November and May, submit to the Board a full report of his receipts and disbursements, together with the amount of monies in the treasury, and at the expiration of his term of office he shall deliver up all monies, books or other property in his possession belonging to the Board, to his successor in office.

ARTICLE VI.—MEETINGS.

Stated meetings shall be held on the second Wednesday in each month, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., at such place as may have been designated at a previous meeting. Special meetings must be advertised at least two consecutive days in one or more of the daily papers of the city, when no business shall be in order but roll call and collection of fines; reception of new members and the special business for which the meeting was called.

ARTICLE VII.—QUORUM.

One-third of all the members on the Roll shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VIII.—ELECTIONS.

The officers of the Board shall be elected from among the delegates at the stated meeting in November, to serve for one year, or until their successors are elected.

ARTICLE IX.—TRUSTEES.

The Board of Trustees of the San Francisco Fire Department Charitable Fund, elected by the Board of Delegates on the 12th day of May, 1852, shall be, and are hereby continued in office, under the following provisions: The Board of Delegates shall at their Annual meeting in 1854, elect two trustees to serve three years, and thereafter at each annual meeting, one or more as the case may be, for said term of three years. All vacancies by death, removal, resignation or otherwise, in the Board of Trustees, are to be filled by the Board of Delegates at the first regular meeting of the Board after such vacancy may occur. Any member of the Board of Delegates elected as Trustee, his seat shall be declared vacant. The Chief Engineer shall be an ex-officio member of the Board of Trustees, shall be entitled to be notified of and be present at all their meetings, but without the power of voting. The duties of the Treasurer shall be to solicit donations to the Fire Department Charitable Fund, pay to the Treasurer of the Fund all monies received, taking his receipt for the same—invest all monies that may be collected, (reserving five hundred dollars for incidental expenses,) in approved security on real estate, valued at two times the amount loaned. All securities and mortgages to be taken in the name of the Trustees of the San Francisco Fire Department Charitable Fund. All orders on the Treasurer to be drawn by at least three of said Trustees, and unless so drawn, no order shall be valid or paid. The Trustees, Chief Engineer and Treasurer being the only parties authorized to receive and receipt for money on behalf of the Department Fund. Trustees shall personally attend to all applications for relief of indigent members of the Department, and tender them such pecuniary aid and assistance as they may require, provided the sum so expended shall not exceed fifty dollars per month to each applicant, and for neglect or inattention to their duties, or for any conduct unbecoming a gentleman, the Board of Delegates may at a regular or special meeting, remove such member or members by a two-third vote of those present. Applications for relief from the fund shall be presented to three or more of the trustees, by the foreman of the company to which such fireman is attached. The foreman shall in writing certify that said person is a duly registered certificate member of the Department, and state the cause of sickness or injury, and if such is satisfactory to the trustees, any three of them shall draw an order on the treasurer for such sum as they may deem proper, but not to exceed $50 in any one month. If a larger sum than $50 is required, the same may be ordered by a vote of the trustees at a meeting of the Board. Bills for medical attendance will not be allowed. Members requiring aid from the Fund are required to avail themselves of the services of such physicians of the city as may volunteer their services in aid of the Charitable Fund.

The Board of Trustees shall elect, annually, a treasurer, to be styled "Treasurer of the San Francisco Fire Department Charitable Fund." He shall receive and receipt for all monies paid him by the Trustees, Chief Engineer and others; keep a correct account of the same in books provided for that purpose; pay all orders drawn on him by the trustees, properly endorsed, which shall be his vouchers for the same; return a semi-annual report to the Board of Delegates, and a printed report at the annual meetings, of receipts and disbursements. His books shall be open at all times to the inspection of the trustees, and give good and sufficient bonds in the sum of five thousand dollars for the faithful performance of his duty, to the trustees of the Fire Department Charitable Fund.

ARTICLE X.—NON-ATTENDANCE.

Any member being absent from a stated or special meeting (sickness or absence from the city only being sufficient excuse) shall be fined one dollar; and if a member be absent two consecutive stated meetings, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to report the same to the company he represents.

ARTICLE XI —ALTERATIONS OR AMENDMENTS.

Alterations to the constitution must be offered in writing at a stated meeting, and lie over until the succeeding stated meeting, and shall require the concurrence of two-thirds of the members of the Board to become a law

FROM ABROAD.

NEW YORK.—The bill providing for the "better regulation of the Firemen of the city of New York," which was adopted by the Board of Representatives in February last, was adopted in the Assembly on Wednesday, March 21st, and in the Senate on the 26th ult. There is also a bill in the Assembly for the more effectual prevention of fires in the city of New York.

The New York 'Sunday Mercury' says:—"The difference between the hemp hose, specimens of which are now on exhibition at the office of the Chief Engineer, and the ordinary leather hose, in point of weight, is one immense recommendation to the former. A length—or 50 feet—of the leather hose, without butts, weighs on an average, between 45 and 50 pounds, while one hundred feet of the hemp hose weighs but 29 pounds. A hose carriage could, therefore, carry more than three times the number of feet of hose now ordinarily placed on the reel, without adding anything to the weight. There are, however, many objections to the new hose sought to be introduced, which may for some time prevent those used at present from being dispensed with."

Messrs. Thomas Lawrence, James S. Anderson, Eugene Ward, and one or two others, in behalf of themselves and 75 associates (whose names are not given,) have petitioned to be organized as an Exempt Engine Company.

The following statement shows the expenditures of the New York Fire Department, from January 1st to April 1st, 1855:

First pay—Repairs, contract work, supplies, &c. &c.	$7,858 07
Second pay—Repairs, &c.	1,602 86
" " —Contracts for new hose, February.	3,629 25
First pay—Repairs, &c.	826 74
" " —Contracts for hose,	1,466 28
Second pay—Repairs, &c.,	1,078 60
" " —Contract for hose, March.	2,928 96
First pay—Repairs, &c.	2,074 55
" " —Contaact for hose,	2,936 88
Second pay—Repairs, &c.	833 47
" " —Hose contract,	1,466 28
Total for three months,	$26,711 94

PHILADELPHIA.—The new Fire Ordinance which went into effect on the 1st of April, in Philadelphia, has led to the withdrawal of a number of Companies from active service.—Among the non-accepting companies are a number of the best of which the city can boast, while there are others just the reverse. We need only mention the Hibernia and Carroll, that never went from their houses but to fight; the Kensington and Globe Engine Companies were almost as bad, and the Independence and Northern Liberty Hose Companies. Until a few years since, the Fairmount Engine, Goodwill and Moyamensing Hose Companies were quite as bad.

Not only politics, but sectarian bitterness entered into these conflicts, making them of the most deadly character. If the city has got rid of these companies by their own voluntary act, it is a glorious thing, even though a few thousand dollars be lost by fire every year in consequence of it. It may interest San Francisco firemen to know which companies go out of service and which remain in, under the new ordinance. The following named are the non-accepting companies:—

ENGINE COMPANIES.—Hibernia, Kensington, Humane, Weccacoe, Washington, Vigilant, Assistance, Northern Liberty, Harmony, Mechanic, Good Intent.

HOSE COMPANIES.—Columbia, Northern Liberty, Good Intent, Goodwill, Diligent, Ringgold, Hope, Spring Garden, United States, Jackson, Niagara, Carroll, William Penn, Moyamensing, Hibernia, Lafayette, Independence, Resolution, Humane, Jefferson Hook and Ladder company.

The following is a list of the accepting companies:—

ENGINE COMPANIES.—Diligent, Friendship, Globe, Hand-in-Hand, Independence, Monroe, Reliance, Spring Garden, United States, Western, Columbia, Delaware, Franklin, Philadelphia, Hope, America, Wassahickon, Fairmount, Decatur, Washington and Franklin, of Frankfort; Liberty, of Holmesburg; Manayunk, of Manayunk; Union, of Rising Sun; Washington, Fellowship, Franklin and Columbia, of Germantown; Good Intent, of Roxborough.

HOSE COMPANIES.—America, Eagle, Neptune, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Phœnix, Robert Morris, Shiffler, Western, Perseverance, Fairmount, Warren, Kensington, Vigilant, Taylor, Franklin, Marion, Schuylkill, Southwork, South Penn; Germantown, of Germantown; Nicetown, of Nicetown.

HOOK AND LADDER COMPANIES.—Empire, Excelsior, of Frankfort; Rescue, of Aramingo; Mantua.

Saturday night, April 1st, was the time fixed upon by the non-accepting companies to go out of service, and a number took a farewell run before the hour of twelve arrived. To do this a barn in the northern part of the city was fired, and they started out with a hurrah. Crape was festooned about the apparatus of one of the companies, and the Jefferson Hook and Ladder Company carried with them a lamp suspended above the truck, with the words "farewell run" upon it. The Independence Hose Company made a regular parade with a lamp having on it the words 'Independence now, independence forever.' "Pay one pay all." "Follies of the Select and Common Councils." "Downfall of the Fire Department." "Farewell run." Several conflicts occurred between these companies and the police. After returning to their houses, the wheels were taken from the apparatus, and they were rendered unfit for use, with a view to prevent the authorities from using them in case of a serious fire!

OFFICERS OF THE
STOCKTON FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Below is a list of the Officers of the Stockton Fire Department, and the members of the Board of Delegates:—

OFFICERS.

E. W. COLT,	CHIEF ENGINEER.
ANDREW LESTER,	FIRST ASSISTANT.
W. B. CLARK,	SECOND DO
E. WEEKS,	SECRETARY.
J. M. VANSYCKLE,	TREASURER.

Weber Engine Co. No 1.

J M Vansyckle, foreman; P Gallagher, 1st ass't; R Kettie, 2d ass't; W H Cobb, secretary; Steven Burgen, treas. 32 members.

P. H. and L. Co. 1.

W W Trembly, foreman; D S Baldwin, 1st ass't; H B Underhill, secretary; W B Lossee, treas. 28 members.

Eureka Engine Co. No. 2.

W R Jefferson, foreman; J H Keeler, first ass't; J Remshart, 2d ass't; E Weeks, Secretary; J Dillon, treas. 42 members.

San Joaquin Engine Co. No. 3.

Geo Shultz, foreman; Wm Dill, 1st ass't; P. Neestradt, 2d ass't; Simon R Rosenthal, secretary; A Kohlberg, treas. 25 members.

BOARD OF DELEGATES:

Engine 1.—J M Vansyckle, F E Corcoran, James Mairs, Walter Winn.

P. H. & L.—W W Trembly, H B Underhill, E Gove, S Baldwin.

Engine 2.—W R Jefferson, Elbert Weeks, John Dillon, Henry Hodgkins.

Engine 3.—Phillip Neestradt, Simon R Rosenthal, M Byther.

A beautiful woman is a brilliant poem, full of rhyme, sentiment, and all manner of illustrations. When bound in one's arms, she increases to several volumes.

An alderman was heard the other day getting off the following specimen of what may be called 'corporation' logic:—"All human beings are hollow. I'm a human being, therefore I'm hollow. It's contemptible to be hollow, therefore I'll stuff myself as full as I'm able."

The ladies of Corpus Christi, Texas, met recently in solemn conclave, and adopted the following resolutions:

"Be it resolved, That we will in no way countenance or associate with any young man, or permit our friends or daughters so to do, if in the habit of patronising Mexican fandangoes."

A young lady being asked whether she would wear a wig when her hair turned gray, replied with the greatest earnestness, "Oh! no, I'll dye first."

Geologically speaking, says Hood, the rock upon which hard drinkers split is quarts.

There are sixteen millions fifty thousand four hundred and sixty newspapers printed in the course of a year in the city of Albany. This is 321 to each inhabitant, or more than one to each person every week-day in the year. 'The man that don't take the papers' does not live in Albany.

The newspapers that are read, if all put together in a continuous string, would reach more than ten times round the world, and weigh seventy million pounds. If they were spread out to dry they would more than cover the whole District of Columbia like a blanket.

The origin of newspapers is traced to Italy.—The first in England appeared during the reign of 'good Queen Bess,' at the time of the Spanish Armada. It was named 'Ye Englishe Mercurie,' imprinted at London, by Her Majesty's printer, 1588. Franklin's 'Boston News Letter' was the first in America. It commenced in 1704. A hundred years ago there were not more than 25 newspapers published in America.

The Fireman's Journal.

MARCUS D. BORUCK, ... Editor.

SAN FRANCISCO:

SATURDAY MORNING, MAY 5, 1855.

FIREMEN'S MEETINGS,

Board of Delegates—Wednesday Evening, May 9
Manhattan Co. No. 2—Monday evening, May 7
California Co. No. 4—This [Saturday] Evening.
Monumental Co, No. 6—This [Saturday] evening
Vigilant Co. No. 9—Tuesday Evening, May 8.
Crescent Co. No.10—Monday evening, May 7
Sansome H & L 3—This [Saturday] evening,

The new and beautiful Engine intended for the Vigilant Company of this City, may be daily expected, having been shipped on board the clipper ship 'Adelaide,' which vessel sailed from New York on the 27th January last, 99 days since. The following in regard to her will prove of interest to our readers: The builder is Mr. William Jeffers, of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, from whose manufactory many engines of superior build and power have been turned out, within the last few years, he having also received the highest premium at the World's Fair in New York for one exhibited there, of great beauty and finish. The coming No. 9 is a piano deck, something similar to Columbian 11, side stroke varying from 5 to 10 inches, with 10 inch cylinders. The brakes fold up on either side, like No. 11, and are twenty-two feet six inches in length. She will carry three lengths of suction, in all twenty-one feet, one section of which is composed of gutta percha, and when the engine is in service, is permanently attached to the tail-screw; and being of a pliable nature, is bent over the deck and secured by springs, so that frequently, on arriving at a cistern, she will have a sufficient length of suction to go into immediate service. A very handsome four-wheeled hose carriage accompanies the engine, calculated to carry one thousand feet of hose. The whole cost of the apparatus, landed here, will amount to about $4,800, against which the Common Council appropriated on the 13th of September, 1853, the sum of $4000. When No. 9 reaches here, we shall have in the Department, five entirely new engines, and two new hook and ladder trucks, costing in the aggregate as follows:

EMPIRE 1—Building by W. E. Worth, of this city, piano deck, side stroke, two 8½ inch cylinders, owned by the city, cost	$5,000
MANHATTAN 2—Built by W. H. Torboss, of New York, side stroke, four ten inch cylinders, owned by the city; cost	6,800
MONUMENTAL 6—Built by John Rodgers, of Baltimore; end stroke, two ten inch cylinders; owned by the company; cost	6,500
VIGILANT 9—Built by Wm. Jeffers, Pawtucket, R. I; side stroke; two ten inch cylinders; owned by the city; cost	4,800
RENNSYLVANIA 12—Built by John Agnew, Philadelphia; end stroke; two eight and a half inch cylinders; owned by company; cost	6,000
ST. FRANCIS H. & L. 1 Truck built by J. Berry & Co. of this city; whole length ladders 97 feet, folding; owned by the city; cost	4,500
LAFAYETTE H. & L. 2—Truck built by J. Berry & Co. of this city, similar to St. Francis; owned by the city; cost	4,500
Total,	$38,150

Howard 3 and Knickerbocker 5 are having new apparatus constructed for their respective companies—the former a Hunneman tub, built in Boston, and the latter in New York by the celebrated James Smith. The new No. 5 will, it is said' be as magnificent a piece of mechanism as was ever gotten up. Her upper works are to be silver mounted, and she willl cost when landed here about $8,500. In the course of two years the Fire Department of this city will be in possession of the most elegant and durable apparatus of any Department in the world; their houses handsomely constructed, and supplied with every convenience that the heart could desire. To those outside of the Department this statement may savor somewhat of extravagance; but in a Department like ours, founded upon the volunteer system, composed of material entirely different from that which characterizes the members of other Departments, there is not any thing that will tend more to unite them, and kindle in their hearts the wish to reciprocate the kindness, which has always been so lavishly bestowed upon them, as a handsome apparatus, in which they can take an honest pride, comfortable quarters to house her, [for to many of them she is their wife, and like all good husbands they wish to nourish and care for her,] a well-filled library, to while away the time, when their "watch" is set over the fair city which they are organized to save; and last, tho' not least, a mild forbearance for their little faults and foibles, and the smile of approval from those to whom they are proud to dedicate their time and energies—the people of San Francisco!

A few nights since having occasion to pass through several of the streets in the lower part of the city, we found them as dark as Erebus, not a solitary gas lamp glared forth to point us on our way, but stumbling and falling over the devious path, our shins and knees gave abundant testimony that during a man's life-time, he meets with many grades and kinds. In case of a fire in the section of the city we speak of, Sacramento, Clay, California and other streets, and those running from north to south below Sansome, many members of the Department would be injured while hastening to the scene, as the darkness when the lamps are not lit, is intense. We believe that the city pays at a pretty dear rate for the gas she burns, and we advise any fireman receiving injuries from the cause we have set forth, to compel the gas company to pay well for the same, as they should be made liable for their carelessness and parsimony. At the time we speak of it was 10½ o'clock P.M. The lights are put out also in the morning just exactly when they ought to be allowed to burn, for instance, from 2 to 4 o'clock, many a morning alarm has plunged the Department into a black darkness which for all the thought they take of the matter, might have led them to their death. Let there be more light.

The "Italian Opera," upon a subscription basis, fizzled out on Thursday evening last, the members of the troupe refusing to perform, even after the Metropolitan was opened and a portion of the audience seated. Mrs. Sinclair was therefore compelled to come before the curtain and apologize for their non-appearence, which she did in a neat, becoming and satisfactory speech. It is a favorite trick with these wily Italians, to become suddenly indisposed when it suits their whims and caprice, or utterly refuse to sing, on the very point of the curtains rising, and the poor manager or manageress, which ever it may be, is obliged to shoulder the responsibility, and perform a duty which they all detest, of apologizing, as was the case on Thursday evening last. Twice have the people of this city been humbugged by this present Italian Opera Troupe. On Tuesday evening the curtain did not rise until quarter of nine o'clock, owing to some misunderstanding behind the scenes, and the Orchestra, for the purpose of keeping the minds of the auditory intent upon something until the singers deigned to appear, kept coming in and out every five minutes. They did manage to sing on Tuesday night. The result of Thursday evening's affair is known. The people of San Francisco deserve to be humbugged, and that they are egregiously so, there is no mistake. Every traveling mountebank who steps ashore at Vallejo wharf, is puffed and bepuffed, feted, caressed and made much of, and for what? for no other reason than that they have run the risk of health and life in making a pilgrimage to these shores, for the purpose of carrying away with them when they leave, from twenty to forty thousand dollars of the people's money, when at the same time the poor, honest and industrious stock actor or actress who has been with us since the first tent was raised, is left to eke out an uncertain existence, choosing rather to spend their earnings among those in their adopted home, than "bobbing around" from place to place. Another thing in regard to the "Opera" is that it never can be supported in this city by subscription. It has failed in every Atlantic city where it has been attempted, and it will here. No public place of amusement can ever succeed without the support of the masses, the hard working and industrious portion of the community. The time has gone by in San Francisco when white kids and 'Lorgnettes' kept the 'cannaille' in awe. Circumstances which have lately transpired show that conclusively, for in more instances than one, the 'white kid' above was bought with the money earned from the sweat of the brow of 'linsey woolsey' below. To succeed in this country, every one must be on an equality, at any rate in a public place of amusement. Throw the doors open wide to the masses, and success will be certain; but let exclusiveness take possession, and disaster will follow. Niblo's Garden, in New York, is a case in point of success, and the American Theatre here, will be another. We trust that Mrs. Sinclair, who has done everything in her power to gratify the wishes of her audiences, will let the Italian Opera Troupe shift for themselves. They are unworthy of any consideration or sympathy, and should they ever undertake to appear again, a San Francisco audience should not tolerate them.

The "Commissionaire," is the name of a new paper received from Messrs. Hawes & Co. It is published in New York, and appears to be the medium through which Mr. J. W. Carrington, of No. 77, Broadway, informs the world and the rest of mankind, that he is prepared to execute a commission business, from the purchase of a paper of pins to a clipper ship. The paper is handsomely gotten up, and we know Mr. C. to be a reliable business man, and in these degenerate times that is saying a great deal.

At the fire yesterday morning on Montgomery street, the difficulty attendant upon allowing Independent Fire Companies to run, was made apparent. When Vigilant 9 came on the ground, Mr. Clapp, foreman of "Tiger Engine Co.," (Independent) requested Mr. Short, the foreman of 9, to take the "Tiger's" water, which Mr. Short refused, on the ground "that he did not recognize Mr. Clapp's company as being in the Department." It appears that when the "Tiger" offered the water to No. 9, they expected to receive a supply from Crescent 10, which at the time was preparing to take suction at the cistern corner of Montgomery and California streets, having but one length of hose. Upon being informed of this, Mr. Short agreed to take the "Tiger's" water, but 10's reel having come up, and with a sufficiency of hose, went on to the fire, (which they had a perfect right to do) and consequently the "Tiger" received no water, and No. 9 was not in service, the first time she has missed a fire since she has been in the Department.—The Department is now a unit; it should be kept so, and no outside influence should be brought to bear, to make it otherwise. It is the duty of the Chief Engineer and his assistants, when a fire occurs, to inform the Department whether they intend recognizing the "Tiger Company" or not.—If they do, well and good, until the Board of Delegates decides differently. If they do not recognize it, let them say so at once. If this matter of Independent Companies is not speedily settled, it will engender an unnecessary contention in the Department.

The Regular meeting of the Board of Delegates is called for next Wednesday evening. Every member should be in his seat. Many matters of deep interest to the Department are constantly being presented to the Board for action, and unless every company, through its representatives, gives an expression of opinion upon them, they might as well not be acted upon. The Board meets now but very seldom, and as the executive body of the Department, none should be sent there as representatives, unless they honestly intend to give their attention to its business. Companies are very much to blame for sending men to the Board to legislate for them, when it is a well known fact that if they do attend its meetings, it is from fear of the displeasure of the Company being represented by them, and not from inclination. No man, in whatever condition of life he may be, will ever give his time and attention to anything he does not take pride in.

On Sunday last, at an aristocratic church, situated not an hundred miles from Bush street, the eloquent preacher officiating therein, offered up a most impressive prayer to the giver of all good, wherein his fatherly kindness and mercy was invoked in behalf of every public officer in authority, from the President of the United States down to the end of the list—the Bishops and ministers of the gospel, and the merchant princes of our city, that they might become saints, and be sanctified unto the Lord; but nary a word was said for the "poor," giving the gratifying assurance that in this land of plenty and gold, no such exist, or that if there is such a class, as far as their spiritual being is concerned, they are allowed to go scot free.

Why is it that the Cistern at the corner of Sacramento and Kearny streets has been allowed to remain for weeks without any water in it? A more combustible neighborhood does not exist in the city, and to leave it so unprotected, is gross carelessness. Have we a Water Contractor among us?

The Cistern at the corner of Mission and Anthony streets has caved in, and is almost entirely filled up with sand. There is a little water left in it at the present time, but if a fire should occur, the lightest engine in the Department could not stand and take suction from it within twenty feet, as the planking is so weak, men and engine would fall into the depths below. Is it any one's business to see that the cisterns throughout the city are kept in proper order?

We have of late heard frequent complaints against the Fire and Water Committee, from those having charge of the engines of the Department, in regard to supplies of oil, &c., from the Corporation Yard. Having given the subject some attention, we are satisfied that the blame should not rest with the Fire and Water Committee, but is the result of the parsimony of a portion of the Auditing Committee of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, who have refused to audit, and report against certain small bills, on the ground that they are neither *legal* nor *equitable*.

We would call the attention of our readers who may have certificates or pictures to send to the states, to the advertisement in another column of George M. Harding. We can vouch for his executing his orders in a proper manner.

The people of the Union spend in a year for newspapers $15,000,000, or would, if they all paid their debts.

THEATRICAL.

AMERICAN.—The sterling plays produced at this house continue to draw crowds every evening. The productions of the immortal Bard are brought forward with as much strength of cast as can be found in the eastern Theatres, and each actor and actress appear to vie in their endeavors to please. The ladies, particularly Miss Keene, Miss Gould, Mrs. Judah and Mrs. Thoman, receive rounds of applause on their first appearance each evening, while the gentlemen have also a full share of approbation. Last night was set apart by the liberal manager for a benefit, the proceeds of which are to be handed over to the Fire Department Charitabie Fund; and truly it was a handsome benefit. The house was crowded, and such an array of beauty and fashion it has seldom fallen to our lot to see in a San Francisco Theatre. The Fireman's Address, delivered by Mr. Lehman, was received with great applause, and the performance throught elicited the warmest commendation. Such liberality on the part of the managers of our Theatres, deserves to be gratefully remembered by our citizens.

To-night Miss Keene will repeat her great character of "Rosalind;" the facinating Miss Emma Baker will dance between the pieces, and Mr. Wheatleigh will be at home as 'J ry Didler." Another full house, of cou , may be expected.

METROPOLITAN.---On Wednesday ening Mr Edwin Booth commenced his re-engagement, and appeared with Mrs. Sinclair in Shakspear's excellent comedy of "Much Ado about Nothing." He was warmly received. performed well, and was called before the curtain at the close of the play. Mr. Booth is a young actor, and exhibits talents of no ordinary stamp; yet he has something to learn, and requires much study, attention and practice before he can attain an eminence equal to that of his talented sire. Mr. B, we should judge, lacks confidence in his own abilities, and is sometimes careless and apparently indifferent as to the effect his acting may have upon the audience; yet he is a good reader, and well understands stage effect. Be more ambitious, young gentleman, have more confidence in yourself, be and feel the character you represent, "suit the action to the word," and you may soon stand by the side of the very first in your profession. We hope to see Mrs. Sinclair more frequently on the stage; she is an earnest, pleasing and effective actress, and a general favorite.

Arrangements are now in progress for the production of varied attractions. The fascinating Roussett sisters will soon appear; to be followed by the eccentric Sir Wm. Don, the charming Miss Julia Dean, and others of note. Such determination to please, on the part of the indefatigable manageress, should be rewarded with a replenished Treasury.

SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS.---Between 7 and 8 o'clock every evening, the crowds assembled before the entrance to the Hall prevent passers-by having any use of the side-walk. Some have thoughts of entering complaints against the Minstrels for causing the obstructions, but such complaints would be of little effect, as the people are with them, and as long as they continue to offer such varied attractions, the public will sustain and patronize them. Probably there will be as large a crowd as usual this evening. Glance at the bill, and then, if you can, stay away.

The passage of the new Charter will bring on a new election for municipal officers on the 28th of the present month. We therefore call the attention of the Foremen of the different companies in the Department to the following clause in the ordinance lately adopted, and earnestly recommend to them, not, under any circumstances, to give their consent to the holding of the polls in the engine or truck houses of the companies, and by command, for there is no reason why any portion of the Department [as has been the case elsewhere,] should be brought into disrepute by difficulties occurring on election day.

SEC. 22 No house in the possession of any Fire Engine, Hook and Ladder or Hose Company, shall be used for any purpose not directly concerning the Company to whom the same appertains, without the previous consent in writing, of the Foreman of such Company.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK.

A Bill to buy the State Prison from General Estell—$100,000 for his contract and $50,000 for et ceteras, was vetoed by the Governor. The Clipper Bark 'Mermaid' arrived from China in 48 days. The 'Golden Gate' sailed on the 1st with $1,494,361 56 in treasurer. The Legislature passed a resolution on the 30th April, extending the session until Monday, May 7th.—Page, Bacon & Co., after paying out every dollar in their possession, closed on the 2d inst.

Thomas A. Warbass, one of the earliest California Pioneers, died on the 3d inst., of Typhoid fever. Col. Walker sailed on the evening of the 3d, in the brig Vesta, Capt. Eyre, with seventy-five men, for Realejo.

BY THE "SONORA."

The Steamship "Sonora" arrived on the 1st, at 5 o'clock, P. M. By her we learn that Page & Bacon again suspended payment on the 4th of April, and had made an assignment.—Enlistments were going on in the Atlantic States for the Crimea. Several arrests had been made.—President Pierce had at last taken a fighting attitude against the Cuban authorities.—At a municipal election in Cincinnati, on ths 2d of April, the Foreigners and Americans had a severe battle, in which several were killed and wounded.—The "Know Nothings" elected their entire ticket in Connecticut and Rhode Island, also in New Orleans and St. Louis, and in various other places in the States.—The pro-slavery ticket had been elected in Kansas.—A writ of error has been granted in the case of Dr. Beale, of Philadelphia.—A fire at Memphis, Tennessee, on the 25th of March, destroyed $100,000 worth of property.—The title of Col. Fremont to the Mariposas, had been finally confirmed.—The great race at New Orleans against time, between the celebrated horses 'Lecomte' and 'Lexington,' for $20,000, was won by the latter on the 2d of April; time 7.19, four mile heats—the quickest time ever made by horseflesh.—Baker, the murderer of Poole, had not been arrested.--Colored children are to be admitted in Massachusetts free schools.

From Europe, we learn that the Czar is really dead and buried.--The Allies have resumed firing on Sabastopol.—Alexander II has issued several manifestos to the army.—Grand Duke Michael was still living.—The "Great Republic" had arrived at Liverpool, and as might have been expected, there was no dock large enough to admit her.

Alarms and Fires for the last two Weeks.

April 20th, 10 o'clock, P. M.—Brick store of John McCarty & Co., Sacramento street, between Battery and Front. Engines 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, and St. Francis H. & L, Co., No. 1, in service.—Damage about $100, principally from water.

April 22d, 10½ o'clock, P. M.—Hall bell alarm. Chinese establishment on Dupont street. Entire Department on the ground. No damage.

April 24th, 10 o'clock, P. M.—Alarm false.

April 25th, 8½ o'clock, P. M.—Alarm caused by thick smoke in the rear of building on Jackson street, between Kearney and Dupont. No damage.

April 26th, 7 o'clock, P. M.—Alarm from Trinity Church bell—"Montgomery House," large frame building on Montgomery street, between California and Pine. Entire Department on the ground. Fire, work of an incendiary, the house being unoccupied. Fire was extinguished five minutes after the alarm. Damage $50.

April 28th, 6 o'clock, P. M.—Jackson street, near Kearney. Chinese house. Engines 2, 10 and 12 on the ground--not in service. No damage.

April 29th, 1 o'clock, A. M.—Alarm from First and Mission streets. False.

May 4th, 9¾ o'clock, A. M.—Two story frame building, No. 68, Montgomery street. Occupied as a private boarding house. In fifteen minutes from the time the alarm was sounded, the order was given to "take up," the fire having been completely subdued. Damage about $500, equally divided between fire and water. The same building caught fire from the window curtain coming in contact with a lighted candle, about a year since. At the fire to-day, Volunteer 7, was fed from a tank on Pine street, and had the first water, and Columbian 11, taking suction at the cistern corner of Montgomery and Bush streets, had the second water.

So long as the present odious attachment law is allowed to remain operative, so long will bankers, merchants, and other business men be dragged down to irretrevable ruin. No attachment should be allowed unless for the benefit of the whole. For instance, A owes B; they have outstanding accounts with each other; neither are aware of the balance due; A, without knowing the precise amount, says to B, you owe me money, and I must have it; an attachment is issued in favor of A, and as a matter of course, a host of them follow. On examination of accounts between the attaching and attached parties, it may turn out that A is indebted to B in the immense amount of one hundred or even one thousand dollars. But what is the result? A business is ruined. One attachment is as good as a thousand to break a man up, for like every thing bad, they breed very fast. It is a matter of surprise that parties interested, and all men are interested in the matter, do not take some steps to abrogate a measure so detrimental in its effects.

Pacific Engine, No. 8, was out for practice on Thursday evening, and performed as follows:—Taking suction at the cistern on the corner of Pacific and Kearny streets, she forced a stream of water up hill, through 850 feet of hose, throwing through a 13-16th nozzle, a body of water 40 feet perpendicular. The rise in the grade along which the hose extended, was 165 eet, from the engine to the pipe at its end.
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The "lie" put in circulation on the arrival of the "Sonora," that the House of Lucas, Simmonds & Co., of St. Louis, had suspended, and with it Lucas, Turner & Co., of this city, having run itself to death, those who put faith in it will for the future not be so easily led away by malicious rumor.

Thanks to Messrs. Hawes & Co., Pacific Express Co., and Wells, Fargo & Co., for files of Atlantic papers. Also to Jerry Sullivan for a profusion of delightful reading matter, comprising books, magazines, &c., a supply almost inexhaustible.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

☞ **Board of Delegates.**—The regular monthly meeting of the Board will be held at their chambers in the City Hall, on Wednesday evening next, May 9th, at 7 1-2 o'clock. Every member is requested to be present. By order. MARCUS D. BORUCK.
Secretary S. F. F. D.

☞ **Manhattan No. 2.—The regular monthly** meeting will be held on Monday evening next May 7th, at 7½ o'clock, By order, J. S. HENSHAW,
Secretary.

☞ **California, No. 4, Attention!—The** regular monthly meeting of your Company will be held this (Saturday) evening, May 5th, at 7 1-2 o'clock.
By order, A. T. GREEN, Secretary.

☞ **Monumental No. 6.—Meet for drill this** (Saturday) evening, at 8 o'clock. By order,
GEO. H. HOSSEFROSS, Foreman.

☞ **Vigilant Engine Company, No. 9.—The** regular monthly meeting of this Company will be held on Tuesday evening next, 8th inst. at 8 o'clock.
By Order, A. I. ELLIS, Secretary

☞ **Crescent No. 10—The regular monthly** meeting will be held on Monday evening next, at 7½ o'clock. By order, J. H. KELLER, See'y pro tem.

☞ **Sansome H & L 3.—An adjourned month**ly meeting will be held this (Saturday) evening May 5th at 7½ o'clock. By order, T. D. GREENE, Sec'y

☞ **Monumental Saving Fund Association.** The regular weekly meeting will be held on this (Saturday) evening, at 7 o'clock. By order,
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The Imperial Fire Insurance Company, having for many years had Agencies established in India, China, Manilla, etc., have had great experience in foreign business, and the instructions received from the Head Office evince a spirit of liberality which will be appreciated by the inhabitants of San Francisco.

The undersigned will be happy to supply insurers with full particulars, upon application at their office.
FAULKNER, BELL & CO.,
a14 128 California street

MAISON DE SAUTE. PRIVATE INFIRMARY

DRS. NOTT AND TUCKER HAVING OPENED THIS establishment, situated on the Presidio Road (Pacific street) one mile from the City Hall, are now ready to receive patients. The buildings located on a 100 vara lot, are complete with regard to neatness and comfort, with the addition of extensive Bathing arrangements for
Hot, Cold, Vapor or Medicated Baths.

It will be the endeavor of the Proprietors to combine all the comforts of a HOME with the advantages to invalids, of a quiet country residence, constant medical attention, nursing, &c.

The fare will always be of the best quality.

TERMS.—Patients will be received at Three Dollars per day, or Eighteen Dollars per week, payable in advance. Private Rooms, Five Dollars per day, or Thirty Dollars per week, in advance. For Surgical operations, and diseases, extra charges will be made, according to circumstances.

SEPARATE APARTMENTS FOR FEMALES, under the charge of an experienced Matron.

French, Spanish, German and Italian spoken.

For further particulars, apply at the INFIRMARY, or to either Drs. NOTT or TUCKER, at their office, No 177 Washington street Stages leave Kearny street, opposite the Plaza, every hour, pass the door. No contagious or infectious diseases admitted in this building. a14

Henry D. Page, David Chambers, Francis W. Page.
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PAGE, BACON & CO., BANKERS, BATTERY STREET corner of Clay, San Francisco, draw at sight in sums to suit, on—

F. Huth & Co	London.
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Atlantic Bank	Boston.
Philadelphia Bank	Philadelphia.
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L. Jones & Co	Pittsburg.

Gold Dust and Exchange purchased at current rates. a7

Banking House of Page, Bacon & Co
SAN FRANCISCO, March 27th 1855.

The Public are hereby informed that the Copartnership which expired by its own limitation on the 18th day of February, 1855, has been renewed and extended from that date, and all the members comprising the late firm up to the 18th day of February, as aforesaid are now included in the new and extended firm.

DANIEL D PAGE; HENRY. D BACON.
DAVID CHAMBERS, HENRY HAIGHT,
FRANCIS W. PAGE.

From the Sunday Mercury.

DEATH IN THE BUNK ROOM.

Low tolls the bell,
  Its deep booming born on the midnight blast,
Solemn and slow—it sounds the knell
  Of one whose tide of Life is draining fast.
Where yonder flickering glare is seen,
  There they are met—those brave men, standing by,
While all is silence, gentle and serene,
  Watching to see a brother Fireman die.

And tears are shed—not the weak sorrowing they
  Of childhood, impetuous and brief;
Nor woman's silent tribute, or aged decay;
  But tears of brave men—tears of manly grief.
For one whose score of years won every heart.
  In duty's cause they'd labored side by side,
In many a scene of danger borne a part,
  Where many a fearless heart had nobly died.

His course is run—and with his armor on,
  Clad for the strife, and eager for the fray—
As the rude warrior when the field is won—
  He's met his death in battles grim array.
No woman's gentle hand is there to soothe his pain,
  With her soft touch to calm each fevered throe,
To give the lulling draught, or wipe away the stain
  Of agony that gathers on his brow.

And so the night wears on—and morning's dawn,
  Breaking its misty bands, cheerless and gray,
Lights up a pale, cold face, haggard and worn,
  Yet calmly resting—Life has passed away.
Oh! are there hearts remote in some deep vale,
  Hearts that are full of careless, happy mirth,
Whose chords shall ache, when the sad boding tale
  Shall reach them of a loved one's 'last of earth.'

Or shall his comrades e'er forget that form—
  Ever the first to hail the bell's deep boom,
Foremost in duty's call, through night or storm—
  That cheering voice, hushed in the silent tomb.
No lofty stone shall rise to tell his fame,
  As one whose life was generous, kind and brave,
Yet many a tear shall start to bless his name,
  Who peaceful sleeps in that bold Fireman's grave

"The death of an old man's wife," says Lamartine, "is like cutting down an ancient oak that has long shaded the family mansion. Henceforth the glare of the world, with its care and vicissitudes, falls upon the old widower's heart, and there is nothing to break their force, or shield him from the full weight of misfortune. It is as if his right hand was withered—as if one wing of an eagle was broken, and every movement that he made brought him to the ground. His eyes are dim and glassy, and when the film of death falls over him, he misses those accostomed tones which might have smoothed his passage to the grave."

"I advise tapping," said the Doctor, after having exhausted all the powers of his healing art on the case. The father of a family, a hard drinker, was bloated with the dropsy to the size of a whiskey barrel He had drunk nothing but whiskey for years, but the doctor said he was full of water, nevertheless, and advised him to be tapped. The old man consented, but one of the boys, more filial than the rest, blubbered badly, and protested loudly against it.

"But why don't you want father to be tapped?"

"'Cause nothing that's tapped in this house ever lasted more than three weeks."

The same doctor had another patient of the same sort, and when he found him near his end, he sought to break the news to his wife in a gentle way, by telling her that her husband would probably soon be in the world of spirits.

"And won't he be glad when he gets there?" she said, "for he never could get enough here."

A Scotch parson was betrayed into more puns than he meant to make. When he prayed for the Council and Parliament, that they might hang together in very trying times, a countryman standing by cried out,

"Yes, with all my heart, and the sooner the better; it's the prayer of all good people."

"But, my friends," said the parson, "I don't mean as that fellow does; but I pray that they may all hang together in accord and concord,"

"No matter what cord," the inveterate fellow sung out again, "so it's only a strong one."

"In the year 1792, Lieutenant Campbell, of the Middlesex militia, was found guilty of forgery, and as the penalty then existed, he was condemned to die for the offence.

"On the eve of his hanging, he sent invitations to many of his brother officers, couched in the following language:

"Lieutenant Campbell's compliments to ——: he requests the pleasure of his company to-morrow morning, to take a cup of chocolate, and to do him the honor to accompany him to Tyburn, to be present at his execution."

"Now, if this had been an invitation to attend a marriage in state, could it have been more "cavalierly" penned?"

CIRCULAR.

BANKING HOUSE OF F. A. SEILLIERE.
PARIS, 31st December, 1854.

I HAVE ESTABLISHED A BRANCH OF MY HOUSE IN San Francisco, (California) under the name and style of ABEL GUY.

Consequently my house in Paris is responsible for all operations of its branch in San Francisco.

F. A. SEILLIERE.

BANKING HOUSE OF ABEL GUY,
Washington street,
Between Sansome and Battery.

I BEG TO INFORM MY FRIENDS, THAT I AM NOW prepared to receive Deposits and to carry on a regular Banking business in all its details.

EXCHANGE for sale at current rates on
L VON HOFFMANN & CO - - - - - NEW YORK
BARING, BROTHERS & CO - - - - - - LONDON
F. A. SEILLIERE - - - - - - - - - PARIS

HEALTH AND AMUSEMENT COMBINED.

The undersigned would respectfully inform their friends and the public in general that they have taken and completely renovated, ventilated and refitted the well known and popular BOWLING and BILLIARD SALOON known as the "EXCELSIOR," situated on Montgomery street, between California and Pine. They will also state that this establishment has but few equals and no superior in California.

N. B,—At the Bar will be found the purest Wines Brandies and liquors of all kinds, together wiih Cigars of the most celebrated brands.

D. N. TUCKER,
W. S. O'BRIEN.
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CALIFORNIA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

Arrangements for January. 1855.

DEPARTURES FROM
VALLEJO ST. WHARF

FOR SACRAMENTO
VIA BENICIA.
....Daily, at 4 o'clock P. M.....

Steamer NEW WORLD. SAMUEL SEYMOUR, Master; Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

Steamer ANTELOPE. D. VAN PELT, Master; Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

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BY THE SACRAMENTO STEAMERS CONNECTING with the Company's LIGHT DRAUGHT STEAMERS at Sacramento. ☞ Through Tickets issued

FOR STOCKTON,
VIA MARTINEZ.
....Daily at 4 o'clock, P. M.....

Steamer CORNELIA. E. CONCKLIN, Master, MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, and FRIDAYS.
Steamer URILDA. CLARK, Master, TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS, and SATURDAYS.

FOR COLUSA, RED BLUFFS
AND INTERMEDIATE LANDINGS.
....Daily at 4 o'clock, P. M....

BY THE SACRAMENTO STEAMERS. CONNECTING with the Company's Light Draught Steamers, which leave Sacramento
Tuesdays Thursdays and Saturdays, at 12 o'clock, M.

Freight by the above Boats must be paid for on delivery.
For particulars. apply at the office of the Company, Jackson street, beween Battery and Front. to
R. CHENERY, President.
Office of the California Steam Navigation Co, }
San Francisco, January 1. 1855 } a7

PACIFIC EXPRESS COMPANY

THE LATE EMPLOYEES OF ADAMS & CO., IN CONsequence of the disruption of that firm, have organized themselves into a

JOINT STOCK COMPANY,

under the above name and title. for the purpose of conducting a GENERAL EXPRESS AND FORWARDING BUSINESS in all its branches, throughout California, Oregon, and the Pacific coast generally.

The business will be strictly and solely a forwarding one, having no connection with Banks or Bankers. and will be conducted on safe and economical principles.

The Expresses will leave the office, at the northwest corner of Washington and Montgomery streets, daily at regular hours for Sacramento and the Northern Mines, Stockton and the Southern Mines, San Jose, San Juan, and Santa Cruz, Monterey, San Pedro, and the Southern Coast generally, as well as to the Northern Coast of California and to Oregon. We will also run a Regular Express. for freight, small parcels and letters, toand from the Atlantic States by every steamer.

The parties who have organized this Company are well known in the community as old and experienced Expressmen, and hope it will be acknowledged generally that they understand their business thoroughly. They think they are not saying too much when they attribute much of their success of the late firm of Adams & Co., in the Express business to their exertions and personal energies.

In conclusion, they would solicit a fair share of the favors of the public, pledging themselves to exert their best endeavors to transact such business as may be entrusted to them in a prompt and businesslike manner.

Collections of all kinds will be promptly attended to on any of the points mentioned above.

a7 R. G. NOYES, President

Monarch Fire Assurance Co.,
OF LONDON.

Office of San Francisco Agency, 126 California Street.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS FUND $2,900,000
SPECIAL FUND - - - - $150,000,
[Held by Trustees in New York to meet Losses.]

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Brick and Stone Buildings, Merchandise, Ships in Port, Houshold Furniture and Personal Property generally. insured on favorble terms. Insurance also effected on Buildings and Merchandise in Sacramento. Marysville and Stockton. a14 W. L. BOOKER. Agent.

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Manufacturers, and Importers of
Carriages, Wagons, Carriage Materials
AND WAGON STOCK.

Hook and Ladder Trucks, and Hose Carriages manufactured and repaired in a neat and substantial manner. Engines painted. N. B. Carriage repairing in all its branches, and executed in a manner that will give satisfaction to all who favor us with their patronage. a7

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103 Montgomery Street, between
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Largest sizes of all kinds of Gentlemen's Furnishing, Goods: lately received a large assortment of fine shirts also night shirts and drawers.

Genuine Alexander's Kid Gloves &c.

N. B. Particular attention paid to the fitting of Customers with the latest styles, which are received every steamer. a7

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And dealers in Cooking, Parlor and Office Stoves, Parlor Grates, Tin-Plate, Sheet-Iron, Copper, Zinc, Banca Tin Lead, Solder, Rivets, Lift and Force Pumps, Lead Pipe, Leather Hose, Copper Faucets, Stop-Cocks, Shovels, Spades, Britania Ware, bright ware of all kinds, Japanned Ware, and a full assortment of all kinds of Sheet Metal Wares.

Particular attention paid to JOBBING, of all kinds. Ship and House Plumbing, Metal Roofing, &c. &c.

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OWING TO THE DEPRESSED STATE OF TRADE at present I have determined to sell from $20.000 to $30, 000 worth of Jewelry at the above prices, rather than to borrow money at exorbitant rates of interest. Holding as I do a stock of FINE JEWELRY **worth** $175,000. it becomes necessary to find a market for some of it; and feel willing to make a sacrifice on a small amount This will be the LAST CHANCE that you will ever have to purchase such goods at such prices,

No 125 MONTGOMERY STREET.

J. W. TUCKER.

San Francisco, April 7, 1855.

THE METROPOLITAN HOMESTEAD ASSOCIATION!!!

CAPITAL, $250,000,

Consisting of 50,000 Shares at $5 Each!

Distribution on or before the 1st of May.

THE ABOVE ASSOCIATION. a Joint Stock Company for the purpose of providing Homesteads, beg leave to inform the public that

SHARES ARE NOW READY FOR SALE,

With a full description of property to be distributed—the holders of Shares being entitled to chances in the disposition by lot of some of the most desirable Residences and Improved Real Estate in the

CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

FIFTY MAGNIFICENT PRIZES.

The following is the list of prizes offered in the above Association:

Prize 1—That splendid Three Story and Basement BRICK DWELLING HOUSE and LOT. No 8, Waverly Place; lot 32 feet 1 inch front by 73 feet deep; house 32 feet 1 inch by 45 feet deep, containing 36 rooms; valued at $30,000

2—A two story BRICK DWELLING HOUSE and LOT on Chestnut street, corner of Emma; 20 feet front by 58 feet deep. 5,000

3—A splendid BRICK RESIDENCE and LOT on the south-west corner of Spofford and Washington streets. Lot 21 feet front by 60 feet deep, 13,500

4—A two story FRAME HOUSE, lathed and plastered, and LOT on Dupont street. Lot 21 feet front by 58 feet deep, 5,000

5—LOT on Filbert st. in the 50 vara lot No 790, 37½ ft front by 137½ ft deep, with COTTAGE thereon, 3,000

6—Three story DWELLING HOUSE, (first story of brick,) and LOT, on the south-east corner of Sand and Clay sts; fronting 28 ft on Clay, and 71½ ft on Sand st; house lathed and plastered, 7,000

7—A two story and basement brick dwelling HOUSE and LOT on the north side of Greenwich st, commencing 200 feet west of the northwest cor. of Dupont and Greenwich sts; 20 ft front by 90 deep, 6,500

8—A two and a half story cottage HOUSE and LOT on the south side of Bush st, between Stockton and Powell, fronting 23 feet on Bush st, and 68 feet 6 inches deep; hard finished, 4,250

9—A two story dwelling HOUSE and LOT on Powell st, commencing 98 ft south of the southeast cor. of Powell and Sutter; 39 ft front by 47½ ft deep, 2,000

10—An elegant two story and basement brick dwelling HOUSE and LOT on Pacific street, commencing 96ft 6 in. west of the southwest corner of Powell and Pacific, 23 ft front by 60 feet deep, 12,000

11—A two story frame dwelling HOUSE and LOT on the east side of Dupont street, between Lombard and Greenwich; lot 40 feet front by 120 feet deep, 4,500

12.—A three story splendid dwelling HOUSE and LOT on the north-east corner of Powell and Clay streets, 20 ft front on Powell street, by 60 ft deep, 7,000

13—A cottage HOUSE and LOT on the south side of Union st, between Kearny and Dupont sts, 20 ft front by 60 deep, 2,500

14.—A genteel two story brick dwelling HOUSE and LOT on the north side of Greenwich street, commencing 100 feet west at the north-west corner of Dupont and Greenwich, 20 ft front by 90 ft deep, 6,500

15—A cottage HOUSE and LOT on Sutter street, commencing 24 ft east of the south east cor of Powell and Sutter sts. 23 ft 6 in. front and 60 feet deep, 2,500

16—A two story HOUSE and LOT on the east side of Pike street, commencing 23 ft 9 inches north of the north-east corner of Pike and Sacramento sts, 23 ft 9 in. front, by 36 ft 8 in. deep, 4,000

17—A two story basement and brick dwelling HOUSE and LOT, commencing 47 ft 6 in. north of the north-east corner of Sacramento and Pike sts, 21 ft 3 inches front by 36 feet 8 inches deep, 8,500

18—A cottage HOUSE and LOT on Broadway bet Taylor and Jones sts; lot 23 ft 6 in by 60 feet deep, 1,500

19—A two story and basement HOUSE and LOT on the south side of Vallejo street, bet. Kearny and Dupont; 20 feet front by 60 feet deep, 3,000

20—An elegant two story and basement brick dwelling HOUSE and LOT on the south side of Washington street, commencing 21 feet west of the south-west corner of Spofford and Washington sts, lot 20 feet six inches front by 60 feet deep, 12,000

21—A cottage HOUSE and LOT on Powell street, commencing 60 feet south of the south-east cor. of Powell and Sutter sts: 20 ft front by 47 ft 6 in. deep, 1,500

22—A three story splendid private RESIDENCE and LOT on Powell st, commencing 20 feet north of the north-east corner of Powell and Clay streets, lot 20 feet front by 60 feet deep, 5,000

23—A neat cottage HOUSE and LOT on Stevenson street near Third; 20 ft front by 70 ft deep, 2,250

24—A three story frame HOUSE and LOT on the west side of Kearny st, bet. Broadway and Hinckley sts, lathed and plastered; lot 20 ft front, 62½ deep 5,500

25—A three story dwelling HOUSE and LOT, (first story of brick) on the west side of Spofford st, commencing 104 ft 6 in. south of the southwest cor. of Spofford and Washington streets, 33 feet front by 61 feet 9 inches deep. 7,500

26—Cottage HOUSE and LOT on the southwest corner of Sacramento and Leavenworth sts; 37½ ft front by 56 feet deep, 2,000

27—A two story brick HOUSE and LOT on the south-east corner of Hinckley street and Pinckney Place, 22 feet front by 30 feet deep, 4,000

28—A cottage HOUSE and LOT adjoining the last on the East, 18 ft front on Hinckly st, 30 ft deep 1,500

29—A cottage House and Lot, the same as the last, on the East, 1,500

30—A splendid two story and basement brick dwelling HOUSE and LOT on Washington st, commencing 41 ft 6 in. west of the south-west corner of Spofford and Washington sts, fronting 20 ft 3 inches on Washington st, by 60 feet deep, 12,000

31—An elegant building LOT on Spofford street, commencing 64 feet 6 inches south of the south-west corner of Spofford and Washington sts, fronting 20 feet by 61 feet 9 inches deep, 2,500

32—A LOT adjoining on the south, same dimensions as the last, 2,500

33—A splendid two story brick dwelling HOUSE and LOT on the north side of Greenwich st, commencing 80 feet west of the northwest corner of Dupont and Greenwich; lot 20 ft front by 90 ft deep, 6,500

34—An elegant building LOT on the south-east corner of Sutter and Powell sts, fronting 24 feet on Sutter st by 69 feet on Powell st, 3,000

35—A splendid building LOT on the east side of Powell st, commencing 80 ft south of the south-east cor of Powell and Sutter sts, 18 ft front by 47½ deep, 1,000

36—A cottage HOUSE and LOT on Read st, bet. Clay and Washington; lot 20 ft front by 60 ft deep, 1,000

37—A two story HOUSE and LOT on east side of Dupont street, between Pine and Bush, No 286: lot 20 by 60 feet, 4,500

38—A two story dwelling HOUSE and LOT on the north side of Pacific street, between Dupont and Stockton; lot 20 feet front by 65 feet deep, 4,500

39—A splendid three story dwelling HOUSE and LOT on the north-east corner of Sacramento and Pike streets: 23 ft front by 36 ft 8 inches deep, 7,500

40—A splendid two story and basement brick dwelling HOUSE and LOT on Third street, between Bryant and Harrison, 25 feet front by 75 feet deep, 8,000

41—A cottage HOUSE and LOT on the south side of Union st, between Mason and Powell, in 50 vara lot No; 395; 20 feet by 75 feet in depth, 1,800

42—A splendid building LOT on the southwest corner of Washington and Priest sts, 31 ft on Washington st, by 37 ft 6 inches on Priest street, 1,000

43—Cottage HOUSE and LOT on Mission st, 90 ft east of the southeast corner of Johnson and Mission streets, 25 feet by 160 feet, 1,500

44—A splendid two story HOUSE and LOT in 50 vara lot No. 607, between Broadway and Pacific st, 23 feet by 133 feet 6 inches, 3,500

45—A genteel two story brick HOUSE and LOT on Dupont street, commencing 131 ft 8 in. north of the north-west corner of Dupont and Greenwich sts; 21 feet 8 inches by 80 feet in depth, 5,50

46—A neat cottage HOUSE and LOT on the south side of Union st, between Mason and Powell sts, in 50 vara lot No 395: 20 feet by 75 feet, 1,800

47—A two story HOUSE and LOT on Priest st, 77 ft 6 inches south of the south-west corner of Washington and Priest streets: 20 feet by 60 feet, 1,500

48—A genteel cottage HOUSE and LOT on the south side of Union st, bet. Mason and Powell sts, in 50 vara lot No 395; 20 by 75 feet, 2,200

49—HOUSE and LOT on Priest st, commencing 57 ft 6 inches south of the south-west cor. of Washington and Priest sts; 20 feet by 60 feet, 1,200

50—A splendid two story brick dwelling HOUSE and LOT on Dupont st, commencing 153 feet 6 in. north of thenorth-west corner of Dupont and Greenwich sts, 21 ft 9 in. by 80 ft deep, 6,000

Total.....$250,000

It is to be understood as a condition annexed to the sale of Shares in the above Association. that in case the property mentioned in the above List of Prizes is not conveyed to the respective winners of the same, free and clear from all incumbrances thereon. then they are to receive in cash the same amount that we were to pay the owner of the property. In order also to assure the public of the good faith of the Agents of this Association, and also prevent any fraud in the management of the same, the aggregate amount of said prizes will be deprsited by us in the Banking Houses of LUCAS. TURNER & CO. and B. DAVIDSON, to be drawn by checks signed by us, and payable to the order of each respective winner by name, who, on the endorsement of said check, will receive the deed of the property mentioned in his respective Prize. And to prove, as far as lies in our power that this Association is all that we have represented, we beg leave to add, that the above List of Prizes is advertised only with the knowledge and by the consent of every property owner, and that we are acting as Agents for the Association.

☞ A meeting of the Shareholders will be called a week previous to the Drawing of the Prizes, to choose a committee to determine the mode of Distribution, which will take place on or before the 1st of May.

Plans of the above List of Prizes can be seen at the office of the Association, where the public is most respectfully invited.

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THE EXTENSIVE ADDITION TO THIS HOTEL IS now finished and ready for occupation. making altogether One Hundred and Fifty Rooms Suits of rooms for families, furnished or unfurnished; also single rooms to let on reasonable terms.

Day Board—Ten dollars per week.

The spacious Hall—85 by 35 feet—is elegantly furnished and lighted with gas, with Supper Room, that will seat two hundred and fifty. will be let on reasonable terms for Balls Concerts, Dinner Parties, &c.

a7 PECK & FISHER.

REMOVED.

G. W. BRYANT & CO.,
Have Removed their Empire Furniture Warerooms
FROM THEIR OLD STAND, 180 JACKSON STREET, to the large and commodius Brick Building in CLAY STREET, a few doors below Montgomery. formerly occupied by Frank Baker, where we shall be happy to serve our former patrons and the public in general.

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THAN EVER HAS BEEN SOLD IN THIS MARKET. AT
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Rosewood. Mahogany and Black Walnut and Painted Chamber Sets.
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Rosewood. Mahogany and Black Walnut Bureaus;
Sideboards. with or without marble tops;
Rosewood. Mahogany and Black Walnut Centre Tables
Mahogany and Black Walnut Card Tables;
Corner and Side Whatnots. Cribs, Cradles, Music Stands;
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Gilt and Mahogany Mirrors. French and common plate;
Eight-day and thirty-four hour Clocks, of all styles;
Mahogany and Black Walnut Extension Tables;
Common Furniture of every description, suitable for offices chambers or dining rooms;
Office Chairs. Chairs. Mahogany and Black Walnut Chairs;
Mahogany and Black Walnut Revolving Office Chairs;
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